with a heavy heart—to bid aloha to my good friend, colleague, and brother DAN INOUYE. It is hard for me to believe that the terrible news I just received is true. Senator INOUYE was a true patriot and an American hero in every sense, and he is at this time in Hawaii the greatest leader.

He served his country as a soldier, receiving the highest honor our Nation can bestow. When we think of how he began to serve his Nation, it is difficult to believe the difficulty we had in Hawaii as Japanese Americans. To be a part of our Nation's military—we were denied. We were considered aliens of this country. But he was one of those who wanted to serve their country, and they went to the highest level to receive that dignity, and eventually they were given the honor to serve our country. As we now know, it became the greatest unit in military history, with the most decorations of any unit and also with the highest levels of decoration, of the Medal of Honor.

He served as a leader, the third longest serving Member of the U.S. Senate in our Nation's history. He served as a defender of the people of this country, championing historic charges for civil rights, including the equal rights of women, Asian Americans, African Americans, and Native Hawaiians. It is an incredible understatement to call him an institution. This Chamber will never be the same without him.

I remember, in our childhood in Hawaii, that Hawaii was a diversified place. Where I lived in Pauoa Valley, there were many Japanese families who lived around us. There were many nights that I spent sleeping in the homes of our Japanese families, ate their food, slept on the tatami on the floor, and I really was brought up with the Japanese families. So when the war broke out, I couldn't understand what was happening because there were families who were removed from the community, and, of course, at that time the Japanese American boys weren't allowed to be in the military, but they pursued it because they wanted to serve this country as well. This is why, in my time in Congress, I did focus on trying to help the Japanese Americans in this country and the Asians in this country as well and to help them achieve what they really earned.

I remember seeking the Medal of Honor for the unit and for those who fought in World War II, and I provided the Pentagon with 100 names from these units. I was really surprised that there were finally 21 of them who were selected for the Medal of Honor, and Senator INOUYE was one of them. But that showed that they were willing to give their lives for this country, and they did. Since then, he has continued to serve his country.

We all used the G.I. bill to be educated in Hawaii. We went to the University of Hawaii, graduated from there, and went on to further degrees. They came back, in a sense, those who could help the communities, and became leaders.

In the case of DANNY INOUYE, he was one of the ones who turned the tide in Hawaii politically since 1954, and by 1959 we became a State. Senator INOUYE ran for office and was our first Member of the House. After one term, he moved to the Senate because Senator Long decided to retire. As a result. Senator Matsunaga was elected to the House and served the House and also the Senate as well, and he also was a member of the 100th infantry during World War II. But the Japanese Americans really served our country, and DANNY INOUYE is one of those great leaders in the history of this country.

Through my career in Congress, I have been proud to be on Dan's team. We have worked on everything from appropriations to Native Hawaiian rights, to veterans and to defense. All of us in Hawaii looked up to him, and we are so sad to see him go.

Danny Inouye leaves behind him a list of accomplishments unlikely to ever be paralleled. His lifelong dedication and hard work in the name of his beloved country, the United States of America, influenced every part of his life and set him apart, even in the Senate. He was a fierce advocate as a senior member of several committees, and the way he conducted himself commanded respect from all with whom he worked.

His legacy is not only the loving family he leaves behind, it can be seen in every mile of every road in Hawaii, in every nature preserve and every facility that makes Hawaii a safer place. He fulfilled his dream of creating a better Hawaii. He gave us access to resources and facilities that the mainland States, I would say, took for granted.

Tomorrow will be the first day since Hawaii became a State in 1959 that DANNY INOUYE will not be representing us in Congress. Every child born in Hawaii will learn of DANNY INOUYE, a man who changed the islands forever.

I join all of the people of Hawaii tonight in praying for his wife Irene, his son Ken, and his daughter-in-law Jessica; his stepdaughter Jennifer, and his grand-daughter Maggie, who really tickle his life. Whenever I had a chance to chat with him, we talked about Maggie. They brought him so much joy in his life and will carry his legacy forward.

I am going to miss DAN, and so will all of us here in the Senate, and this great country will also. He represented a true American, and for us in Hawaii, he represented a true Hawaiian in Hawaii. He served Hawaii and this country well.

DAN and I have worked so well together all these years. When I was in the House and on the Appropriations Committee there, we worked very well between the House and the Senate. Many of the renovations that have come about in Hawaii were because of Danny, and he really helped to shape Hawaii and this great country. He brought here on Earth a kind of life that people of our country and this

world can follow to be great citizens of the world.

DAN, my dear friend and colleague, you will be missed in Washington as much as you will be missed in Hawaii. Rest in peace. God bless you and your spirit.

Mr. President, I yield the floor.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from North Carolina.

UNINTERRUPTED SCHOLARS ACT

Mrs. HAGAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the HELP Committee be discharged from further consideration of S. 3472 and that the Senate proceed to its immediate consideration.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The clerk will report the bill by title. The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 3472) to amend the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 to provide improvements to such Act.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

Mrs. HAGAN. I further ask unanimous consent that the Landrieu substitute amendment, which is at the desk, be agreed to, the bill, as amended, be read a third time and passed, the motion to reconsider be made and laid upon the table, with no intervening action or debate, and any statements related to the bill be printed in the RECORD.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The amendment (No. 3345) was agreed to as follows:

(Purpose: In the nature of a substitute)

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Uninterrupted Scholars Act (USA)".

SEC. 2. FAMILY EDUCATIONAL RIGHTS AND PRIVACY.

Section 444(b) of the General Education Provisions Act (20 U.S.C. 1232g(b)) (commonly known as the "Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974") is amended—

- (1) in paragraph (1)—
- (A) in subparagraph (J)(ii), by striking "and" after the semicolon at the end;
- (B) in subparagraph (K)(ii), by striking the period at the end and inserting "; and"; and (C) by inserting after subparagraph (K), the following:

"(L) an agency caseworker or other representative of a State or local child welfare agency, or tribal organization (as defined in section 4 of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S. C. 450b)), who has the right to access a student's case plan, as defined and determined by the State or tribal organization, when such agency or organization is legally responsible, in accordance with State or tribal law, for the care and protection of the student, provided that the education records, or the personally identifiable information contained in such records, of the student will not be disclosed by such agency or organization, except to an individual or entity engaged in addressing the student's education needs and authorized by such agency or organization to receive such disclosure and such

disclosure is consistent with the State or tribal laws applicable to protecting the confidentiality of a student's education records."; and

(2) in paragraph (2)(B), by inserting ", except when a parent is a party to a court proceeding involving child abuse and neglect (as defined in section 3 of the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act (42 U.S.C. 5101 note)) or dependency matters, and the order is issued in the context of that proceeding, additional notice to the parent by the educational agency or institution is not required" after "educational institution or agency".

The bill (S. 3472), as amended, was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading, was read the third time, and passed.

ORDERS FOR TUESDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2012

Mrs. HAGAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it recess until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, December 18, 2012; that following the prayer and pledge, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date and the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day; that following any leader remarks, the Senate be in a period of morning business for 1 hour with Senators permitted to speak therein for up to 10 minutes each, with the time equally divided and controlled between the two leaders or their designees, with the majority controlling the first half and the Republicans controlling the final half; that following morning business, the Senate resume consideration of H.R. 1, the legislative vehicle for the emergency supplemental appropriations bill; and finally, that the Senate recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m. to allow for the weekly caucus meetings.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

RECESS UNTIL 10 A.M. TOMORROW

Mrs. HAGAN. If there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent that it recess under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 7:13 p.m., recessed until Tuesday, December 18, 2012, at 10 a.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate:

CHEMICAL SAFETY AND HAZARD INVESTIGATION BOARD

RICHARD J. ENGLER, OF NEW JERSEY, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE CHEMICAL SAFETY AND HAZARD INVESTIGATION BOARD FOR A TERM OF FIVE YEARS, VICE WILLIAM E. WRIGHT, TERM EXPIRED.

NATIONAL MEDIATION BOARD

NICHOLAS CHRISTOPHER GEALE, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL MEDIATION BOARD FOR A TERM EXPIRING JULY 1, 2013, VICE ELIZABETH DOUGH-ERTY, RESIGNED.

LINDA A. PUCHALA, OF MARYLAND, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL MEDIATION BOARD FOR A TERM EX-PIRING JULY 1, 2015. (REAPPOINTMENT)

IN THE AIR FORCE

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADES INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE UNDER TITLE $10, \, \text{U.s.c.}$, SECTION 624:

To be colonel

LAURA A. BRODHAG

To be major

ARSHAD M. BACHELANI NICHELLE A. COOK JUSTIN P. FOX STEPHANY T. GODFREY JOHN D. KLEIN

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

To be colonel

WILLIAM R. BABZ
RENEE D. CARLSON
MARGARET A. CURRY
LORI L. EVERETT
CHRISTOPHER A. GARZA
KATHLEEN A. GATES
DOUGLAS M. LITTLEFIELD
RICHARD A. MCCLURE
STEVEN A. REESE
ERIC R. SCHMIDT
DARRELL S. SMITH
BRENT A. SONDAY
COREY M. STANLEY
BRYAN K. TALLENT
RICHARD A. VANDERWEELE
MICHAEL D. WEBB
BRYCE G. WHISLER

JAKE R. ATWOOD

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

To be major

FRANCIS E. BECKER
STEVEN M. BENNETT, JR.
SARAH S. BONG
REBECCA K. BRINCKS
FRANCISCO T. CARLOS
KUN JANG CHANG
CHI W. CHUNG
ELIZABETH L. DANG
MATTHEW A. DIETRICH
ADAM J. EGGE
NICHOLAS R. EINBENDER
ARLENE SUGANDHI ESCHE
MARK D. FINCHER
BRADLEY D. HARRELSON
AARON J. HAYES
MAK D. HOIKKA
COLLIN D. HOLMAN
DOUGLAS C. HOLMES
MIN K. KIM
BRANDON D. KOFFORD
ANDREW Q. MADSON
KEVIN T. MASKELL
JARROD R. MCALEVY
NOAH M. MILLER
PAULENCIA L. MORRIS
PAULA MORSE
RYAN D. MURPHY
MITZI J. PALAZZOLO
JEREMIAH J. PARKER
RACHAEL L. PARRISH
PETER M. PEDALINO
CAMERON L. PERIGO
BRANDON M. PIEPER
DEANDRA M. PRICE NEWBY
KELLY A. RAMEY
THOMAS B. REYNOLDS
JEFFEPP J. ROBINSON
ANITA M. SHADE
BENJAMIN A. SHRLEY
LISA J. SHOFF
NIKOLAY SKY
MATTHEW S. STRATMEYER
JOHN D. TEEPE
MEGHAN J. VANDERHEIDEN
ROBERT R. WATSON
MATTHEW T. WILSON
BRENT J. WINWARD
ROSS A. YOST
MICHAEL R. ZACHAR

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To be colonel

KRISTEN J. BEALS
TERESA O. BISNETT
DAVID E. BLOCKER
CHRISTOPHER J. BORCHARDT
KIMBERLY R. BRADLEY
DAVID S. BUSH
ALESIA C. CARRIZALES
JAMES A. CHAMBERS
ARTEMIO C. CHAPA
DIXON L. CHRISTIAN
JOSEPH CONNOLLY III
JOHN J. COTTON
RITA L. DUBOYCE
TIM D. DUFFY
CHRISTINE R. ERDIELALENA
JOYCE PASTORE FIEDLER
VAL W. FINNELL
HOWARD R. GIVENS
PAUL D. GLEASON II
KERYL J. GREEN
CHRISTOPHER M. GRUSSENDORF

MELINDA B. HENNE MARK A. HINTON DUNCAN G. HUGHES KATHRYN G. HUGHES CONSTANCE L. JACKSON MONICA L. JOHNSON SAMUEL O. JONES IV WARREN R. KADRMAS GREGORY A. KENNEBECK ROBERT S. KENT CHETAN U. KHAROD STEVEN M. KINDSVATER TODD T. KOBAYASHI DONALD C. KOWALEWSKI JEFFREY D. KUETER JANICE M. LANGER JEFFREY D MCNEIL DANIEL I. MIRSKI TERENCE B. MITCHELL ANDREW E. MOORE PATRICK M MIJEHLBERGER MARK A. NASSIR JUSTIN B. NAST STEPHEN L. NELSON, JR. THOMAS C. NEWTON
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MICHAEL A. TALL
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ANTHONY P. TVARYANAS
ANTHONY W. WALDROUP
DANIEL J. WATTENDORF LEE D. WILLIAMES PAMELA M. WILLIAMS MICHAEL J. WOOD BRUCE A. WOODFORD ROBERT R. YORK SHAWN P. ZARR JIANZHONG J. ZHANG

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To be lieutenant colonel

TANSEL ACAR
DEBORAH L. ASHCRAFTOLMSCHEID
ARREZOO BARANI
ELHAM BARANI
STEVEN W. BLACK
JACK K. CHUNG
PEGGY L. DICKSON
WILLIAM J. DICKSON
AMY E. DYER
JEFFREY A. FORD
STEPHEN R. GASPAROVICH
JEREMY D. HAMAL
BRENT E. HAVEY
FRED P. KREY
SCOTT J. LAFONT
DAVID R. LUKE III
BRENT D. MARTIN
ROGER L. MILLER
BRIAN G. MIN
MICHELLE M. MOFFA
LEON A. NIEH
SHANNON K. O KEEFE
PATRICK B. PARSONS
MARK D. ROBERTS
JEREMY F. SCARPATE
KHURRAM M. SHAHZAD
OSCAR R. SUAREZ SANCHEZ
JAMES R. THOMPSON
SCOTT E. THOMPSON
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JAMES R. THOMPSON
BRANDON H. WILLIAMS

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To be lieutenant colonel

SAMUEL E. AIKELE
PETER S. AIREL
ROBIN S. AKINS
NIMA A. ALINEJAD
ANDREW T. ALLEN
GREGORY W. ANDERSON
MARK A. ANDERSON
MICHELLE K. ANTON
TIMOTHY P. BALLARD
ROBERT L. BALTZER, JR.
JASON BARNETT
LAURA M. BAUGH
MICHAEL J. BENCA
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BRYSON D. BORG
TRACY K. BOZUNG
REBEKAH G. BRISCOE
ANTOINETTE T. BURNS
KENT D. BURN
KENT D. BURNE
KAMANTHA L. BUTLER
LYDIA CARPENTER